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FOR AMBASSADOR POPPER ONLY FROM ASSISTANT SEC. SHLAUDEMAN

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1. AN INVESTIGATION IS BEING PURSUED WITHIN DOD AND I WILL LET YOU KNOW WHEN WE HAVE A REPORT. IN ALL CANDOR I MUST SAY THAT WHAT EXPERIENCE I HAVE IN THESE MATTERS DOES NOT LEAD ME TO ANY GREAT OPTIMISM AS TO THE POSSIBILITY OF A DEFINITIVE RESULT.

2. I NOTE YOUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE EMBASSY'S SOURCE WAS REFERRING TO "A SPECIFIC TEXT OR TEXTS." ARE YOU CONFIDENT THAT THE FORMER AND NOT THE LATTER IS THE CASE? ON READING YOUR INITIAL REPORT I WAS STRUCK BY THE FACT THAT THIS SEEMS TO BE THE SECOND TIME IN ABOUT TWO YEARS THAT A HIGHLY SENSITIVE EMBASSY DOCUMENT HAS FOUND ITS WAY INTO THE HANDS OF THE GOC BY ONE MEANS OR ANOTHER.

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I WAS ALSO PUZZLED BY THE CHILEAN ATTEMPT TO MAKE THE

MILGRP COMMANDER THE SCAPEGOAT FOR WHAT MUST HAVE BEEN
EVIDENT TO THEM WAS A JOINT ASSESSMENT. IT SEEMS A
SECOND CHOICE.

3. I HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE EXPLANATIONS TO OFFER BUT
DID WANT YOU TO BE AWARE OF MY UNEASINESS. YOU HAVE
UNDOUBTEDLY REVIEWED ALL OTHER POSSIBILITIES OF A
SECURITY BREACH. IF FOR ANY REASON YOU ARE NOT SATISFIED
WITH THAT REVIEW AND WOULD LIKE SOME HELP, I WOULD BE
HAPPY TO RECOMMEND THAT SY GIVE YOU SPECIAL ASSISTANCE.
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